

Newport City Council

Newport City Council
Regeneration Investment & Housing
Civic Centre
Godfrey Road
Newport NP20 4UR

01633 656656
planning@newport.gov.uk
www.newport.gov.uk



Application for Tree Works: Works to Trees Subject to a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) and/or Notification of Proposed Works to Trees in Conservation Areas (CA)

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Tree Location

Please provide the address of the site where the tree(s) stands (full address if possible)

Number

12

Suffix

Property Name

Address Line 1

Westfield Road

Address Line 2

Town/City

Newport

Postcode

NP20 4ND

Description of site location (must be completed if postcode is not known)

Easting (x)

330260

Northing (y)

188195

If the location is unclear or there is not a full postal address, describe as clearly as possible where it is

(for example, 'Land to rear of 12 to 18 High Street' or 'Woodland adjoining Elm Road')

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Richard

Surname

Metcalfe

Company Name

Pennington House

Address

Address line 1

12 Westfield Road

Address line 2

Address line 3

Town/City

Newport

Country

United Kingdom

Postcode

NP20 4ND

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number

Email address

***** REDACTED *****

Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works

Before answering these questions you might find it helpful to consult a tree surgeon to clarify what needs to be done.

Please provide a full and clear description of:

- The proposed works
- The trees affected including species and location

Felling of ginkgo biloba tree (trunk situated at a distance of ~3 metres from the residential property at 12 Westfield Road, Newport)

Trees protected by Tree Preservation Order should be numbered according to the First Schedule of the Tree Preservation Order. For example - T3 oak; two beech and one birch in G2.

You must identify the trees on a sketch plan showing the location in relation to building(s), named roads and boundaries.

Please state the reference you have given the plan (as described above)

Your plan needs to show the precise location of the tree(s) in relation to nearby property/roads/boundaries. It should, therefore:

- indicate the main features of the site where the tree(s) stand and its surroundings; in particular, you should:
 - mark and name surrounding roads
 - sketch in buildings, including adjoining properties
 - add house numbers or names
- mark the position of the tree(s) to which you want to carry out work
- identify them by the number shown in the Tree Preservation Order where possible; if you use a different number, please make sure that this can be matched with your description of the tree(s)
- if there are many trees on the site, make clear which tree(s) are included in this application by:
 - marking all trees on the plan, but only numbering those to which you want to carry out work
 - showing the approximate distance between the application tree(s) and buildings
 - adding other relevant features on the site (e.g. greenhouse, paths)

If it is impossible to identify the tree(s) accurately on the plan (e.g. because they are part of a woodland or group of trees), please identify their approximate location on the plan and provide details of how the tree(s) are marked on site (e.g. high visibility tape, tree tags, paint, etc); trees must not be marked by scarring or cutting into the bark.

Trees - Reason(s) for work(s)

Please state the reasons for carrying out the proposed works on the tree(s)

The trunk of the ginkgo biloba is located approximately 3 metres from the house and was planted in an unsuitable position. The tree has been left unmanaged and has reached an excessive height of approximately 10 metres, making it inappropriate for long-term retention at this distance from the property.

Due to its close proximity, the tree presents a foreseeable risk of future damage to foundations, underground services, and adjacent hard landscaping as it continues to mature. Addressing this issue at this stage represents a proportionate and preventative approach in accordance with good arboricultural practice.

The size and spread of the tree is resulting in a loss of light to the property and is crowding out neighbouring trees and other plants, limiting their healthy growth and undermining the balance and long-term sustainability of the planted area.

While the tree is located within a Conservation Area, it is not considered to make a positive contribution to the character or appearance of the area. The surrounding planting is predominantly coniferous, and the form, scale, and seasonal characteristics of the ginkgo biloba are visually incongruous with the established landscape character. Due to its very close proximity to the house, it being situated between two very large conifer trees and at a significant distance from the nearest highway, the tree provides limited public visual amenity.

Alternative management options such as pruning would not resolve the fundamental issue of poor siting and would only provide short-term mitigation while potentially harming the tree's natural form. Felling is therefore considered the most appropriate and sustainable management option.

Do your reasons for carrying out the proposed works include any of the following

Health or safety of the tree(s) - e.g. it is diseased, fears that it might break or fall

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Alleged subsidence damage

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Trees - Additional Information

Are you providing additional information in support of your application?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

If Yes, please provide the reference numbers of plans, documents, professional reports, etc in support of your application

Please refer to information provided in this application which include plans and photographic evidence

Tree Ownership

Is the applicant the owner of the tree(s)?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

Tree Preservation Order Details

Are you seeking consent for works to tree(s) subject to a Tree Preservation Order?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Are you wishing to carry out works to tree(s) in a conservation area?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant or agent one of the following:

- (a) a member of staff
(b) an elected member
(c) related to a member of staff
(d) related to an elected member

Do any of these statements apply to you?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Tree works: Trees in conservation areas/subject to TPOs as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.

I/We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.

I/We also accept that:

- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be made available as part of a public register and on the authority's website;
- Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

☒ I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

Richard Metcalfe

Date

05/01/2026